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Subject: Letter of Support for Chula Vista's Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment Grant Application

Dear Mr. Flores:

The San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) is pleased to provide this Letter of Support to the City of Chula Vista as it competes for an Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT). We understand that the City of Chula Vista is proposing a variety of projects to combat ozone pollution and reduce asthma-related emergency room visits through the deployment of Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) and a connected traffic signal network. We look forward to collaborating with the City on this project.

As the transit service provider in Chula Vista, MTS has an interest in ensuring that the City implements a state-of-the-art transportation system that will provide a safer, more efficient, and more environmentally friendly transportation network for all of its users. Chula Vista plans to implement adaptive traffic control systems, hi-resolution enabled traffic signal controllers, transit signal priority, smart street lights with environmental sensors, and GPS-enabled fire response systems which will enhance safety, increase efficiency, reduce fuel consumption, and reduce greenhouse gases. Also, as an approved Autonomous Vehicle (AV) Proving Ground, the City intends to deploy enhanced detection and communication systems that will support future AV demonstrations which will lead to safer and more fuel efficient (fewer emissions, less ozone) technologies. MTS is in the planning stages to build on the success of this project if awarded by investing in high quality bus service along the H Street corridor. We believe that the concepts that are being proposed in Chula Vista will be a significant step toward the establishment of a successful and replicable model for other communities across the state and the rest of the country.

We strongly support the City of Chula Vista's application for funding from the USDOT for this project and look forward to our future collaboration. If you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 619-557-4513 or Sharon.Cooney@sdmts.com.

Sincerely,

Sharon Cooney
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